

Makikihi School

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Preparing children for success in life



NEWSLETTER: 24 March 2011

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

The Board met on Monday evening.
The following policies were ratified:-
Social Behaviour, Sunsmart Policy & Sunsafe Procedure, Staff Discipline & Serious Misconduct. You may view these policies at the school office during school hours.

CAMP:

At Assembly last Friday certificates were presented to all the children who attended. The children are still writing some very interesting stories about the camp. See insert page of Room 1 stories.

BUS PASSENGER: T 1 Wk 7

North Bus – Krish Kumar.
South Bus – Briana Cain.

NEWSLETTER DRAW:

Champion Family.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER - CORN COBS:

Please order by ringing Eileen at the school office as soon as possible. Phone 03 6895587. (Corn cobs freeze well). There is still plenty of corn so keep the orders coming in. Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER - CONES FOR SALE:

\$5.00 bag or 5 bags for \$20.00. The school has been donated cones as a fundraiser for the school. Mr. & Mrs. Cutler at Hook were the kind people who made the donation. Please place your orders.

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS:

This is a sponsorship programme for fundraising for schools. The Fuel for Schools programme is operated by Southfuels in the South Island. All you need do is nominate a school and they will be rewarded with a cash percentage. If you are a South Fuels user please ring Eileen at the school office and she will give you the details.

ROOM TWO:

During the last week we have completed “Progress and Achievement Tests” in “Reading Comprehension”, “Reading Vocabulary” and “Mathematics”.

The children have been enjoying “Mathletics” and Level 1 basic German.

The Physical Activity Team met with Lee King (Active Schools Advisor) and they have good plans to keep healthy play going at school. Targets for student achievement have been set for 2011. We will be working hard to improve the children’s work in all areas. Encouragement from home is important. We achieved well against last year’s targets. A Variance Statement is available for anyone interested in progress in Room 2 last year on Written Work, Mathematics and Reading.

Children are still keen to swim (maybe they have been infused with some Penguin or Seal D.N.A.)!

On April the 5th nine senior pupils will be attending a “Careers Expo” morning. Any parent who would like to come please let me know.

Miss Blissett and I are enjoying the class this year. So far they have proved to be a positive happy group. We will shortly schedule parent interviews as the term seems to be zooming by.

J. Palmer.

PAL’s FAIR PLAYERS: T1 Wk 6

Shya Cartwright & Alfonso Laguna.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK: T1 Wk 6

Jessika Williams.

SUPER SPELLERS: T1 Wk 6

Briana Cain, Angus Wilson, Ashlyn Fenwick, Lucy Avery, Shya Cartwright, Lachlan Finch.

INTERESTING WRITING:

Edward Campbell.

IMPROVED WRITING:

Ethan Finch.

SMART MATHS: T 1 Wk 6

Briana Cain, Edward Campbell, Lachlan Finch, Shya Cartwright, Lucy Avery.

ROOM ONE

I hope you enjoy reading our room one camp stories. Writing is very challenging for young learners and considerable effort has gone into producing 'a little bit more' every day since camp. These are 'recount stories' and the children have been learning about remembering events and being able to retell these in written form, to someone (their audience) who wasn't there. It is quite different than just retelling orally as they often forget what they want to tell you in a sentence because they are too busy remembering 'how to write it down'.

The swimming pool is still open but with the cooler temperatures and having a few coughs and runny noses in the class we have not been swimming. We encourage lots of nose blowing, and coughing into your elbow along with thorough hand washing. Please reinforce this at home.

Pippa Hawke celebrated her 5th birthday today and we welcome her to school fulltime.

Karen Nooy

STUDENT OF THE WEEK ~ T1 WK 6

Jade Willcox ~ Working very well at all of her tasks.

SPECIAL AWARDS ~ T1 WK 6

Alfonso Laguna and Ava Lawrence ~ Wonderful Writing.

Brett Meyer ~ Mrs Nooy's number one helper.

SUPER SPELLERS:

Georgie Hawke

NETBALL:

Northern netball's first practise is on the 8th April, 3.45pm at the Waimate Netball courts. We hope to see lots of enthusiastic players there. Opening day for netball is the 7th May and teams to be in by the 20th April. Any adults wishing to play netball this season would be welcome. The first practise for St. Pat's Netball Club will be on Tuesday 29th March at the Waimate Netball courts. All welcome. Any enquiries about netball please contact Andrea Meyer 6895558.

CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK:

Monday 28 th March	
Tuesday 29 th March	Technology
Wednesday 30 th March	
Thursday 31 st March	Jonathan – Lunchtime Sport
Friday 1 st April	WAVE cooking, Assembly.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. John and Mrs. Hilary Botting who were married recently. We wish them all the very best.

John, Karen, Susanne, Andrea and Eileen.

WANTED:

Cleaner required for two to three hours per week. Hunter district.

Phone 6895772 if you are interested.

AORANGI S.C. JUNIOR GOLF FOUNDATION:

Junior Challenge April 2011 School Holidays.

If you are interested please contact the school office and I will give you the details.

JUNIOR SOCCER:

If your child is interested in playing soccer please contact Rochelle 6897110 for details.

TO GIVE AWAY:

2 Kittens 8 weeks old.

1 Male Black & White, short hair.

1 Female, Chocolate/Black, long hair.

If interested please phone 03 6895955.

WAIMATE JAB:

Rugby practice for all teams (U9 – U13) 5.30 – 6.30 Wednesday evenings at the Waimate Rugby Club grounds. Still taking registrations for U9 – U13 teams in the JAB. Any queries please phone Kirsten Edh on 6898814.

SPORT S.C.

Attached – Holiday brochures.

DANSEY'S PASS CAMP:

We went to school and met at the school gates. We got our gear ready for camp. Aunty Judith was there to help me. Then I said "Goodbye" and we left and I got one last wave to Aunty Judith. On the way we stopped at the Maori Rock art. One looked like a Taniwha. Then we went back down the hill. It was a great big hill and it was a lot of effort to get back down to the bus. We got nice and comfy for the rest of the journey and we saw big cliffs and bulging rocks. They were great. When we got to Dansey's Pass camp site the first thing I saw was the play ground and the cabins. I did not see my cabin as it was hidden behind the trees. It was a nice cabin, full of stuff in a crowded room with 1 bunk set and a single bed. We had to set our bedding up and then we could play. Then we had lunch. We all had extra things to eat. I had four biscuits and some sandwiches. We could hear all sorts of sounds, birds in the air and the laughter of kids and patter of feet, and Edward, Lachlan and Ethan putting up a tent two cabins away. I was bounced up and down on the trampoline and I went on the spinning seesaw and the fort. Then we got into two groups. One group went gold panning and the other group went to look for rattling rocks. I went to the rattling rocks on the bus. We left camp and we went over bridges and passed hedges, down roads, passed rivers and cliffs full of bulging rocks that were amazing poking out of the cliff. It was really fabulous. With the wheels flying and the car zooming we got there safe and sound. We walked down the gravelly path of stones and rocks mixed together. We could hear the racing river. With one bush to go round we took the best look we could. It was a beautiful sparkling river with shiny stone, the cool water polishing them. The stones were yellow, grey and lovely white quartz. The bushes that grew in the ground were beautiful. We walked through the water to look for rattling rocks. When you first go in the water it is frigid and cold but after a while it feels warmer. I loved the camp.

By: Rogan Joe Sloan.



FAMILY NAME:.....

I have received and read the Newsletter dated
24th March 2011.

PARENT

SIGNATURE:.....